

Meeting Minutes for  
Rico Fire Protection District  
Regular Meeting: September 19<sup>h</sup>, 2022

The regular Rico Fire Protection District Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chair Gregg Anderson.

**Roll Call:** RFPD Board members Gregg Anderson, Sarah Eckles, Raegan Ellease, Tyler Lapp and Stacy Sheridan.

**Guests Present:** RVFD Fire Chief Todd Jones, RFPD Administrator David Kunz, Allyn Svoboda (via Zoom).

**Approval of Agenda:** Tyler Lapp moved to approve the agenda as written; Sarah Eckles seconded the motion. Approval was unanimous.

**Approval of Minutes:** Stacy Sheridan moved to approve the minutes for the August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022 regular meeting. Sarah Eckles seconded the motion. Approval was unanimous.

**Public Comment:** No public comment.

**Approval of Financial Report, Accounts Payable and 4<sup>th</sup> quarter pension checks:** Kunz reported a revision to a payment made to WS Darley for water handling equipment (under the Rico Center grant): the payment had been approved at \$1,147.15 at the District's August meeting; the revised payment will be \$1071.90. Tyler Lapp moved to approve payment for the bills as presented/plus change, approve the pension checks, and to accept the financial report. Sarah Eckles seconded the motion. Approval was unanimous.

**Administrative Report:** Kunz is working on the Rico Center 2023 grant, due October 1.

**Grants (awarded):**

**Colorado Fire Safety and Disease Prevention (CFSDPG) 2022:** \$9,560.00 in funding for (4) sets of Structural Fire PPE. RFPD is authorized to spend funding. Closeout: 10/31/22.

**Grants (pending):** Rico Center 2023

**Grants (potential):**

**USDA VFA 2022:** 50/50 match for wildland firefighting equipment

**El Pomar:** 100% funding for wildland firefighting equipment

**DOLA Tier 2 funding:** see "New Property Improvement Plan" under old business.

**Fire Chief Report (Fire Chief Todd Jones)**

**Runs:** (8) calls: (6) EMS, 1 with transport; 1 SAR call; 1 smoke chase.

**Training: (6)** RFPD members attended SARCON in Breckenridge, paid for by the county (ropes and backcountry medical). Chief Jones requested approval of approximately \$540 in funding to pay for firefighter Pat Fallon's lodging at the firefighter academy. Gregg Anderson moved to approve, Raegan Ellease seconded; approval was unanimous.

**Equipment:** No current issues. Kunz will check on the status of the bunker delivery (RC 2022, CFSDPG 2022)

**Old Business:**

**New Property Improvement Plan:** Sarah Eckles plans to set up a Go Fund Me page as a means to get individual funding gifts toward the new building. An RFPD mill levy increase will likely be proposed on the November 2023 ballot along with Town mill increases.

**New Business:**

**Bedrock CPUD review:** After a brief discussion, the Board agreed that the prior review letter (composed May 3, 2022 by Raegan Ellease) was still appropriate. The District requested that Approval review procedures be put on next month's agenda.

**2023 Tri State Firemans' Association:** Todd Jones commented that RFPD will not have to step in as host of the 2023 event, but will host the Tri-State Firefighter's Association in 2024.

The next regular RFPD Board meeting is scheduled for October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

A motion to adjourn was made by Tyler Lapp and seconded by Raegan Ellease at 7:52 PM. Approval was unanimous.

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Chairman

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Secretary